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PROGRAM REVIEW TASK FORCE TO MEET

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – The first meeting of the Commissioner's Program Review task force is scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 10, from 9 a.m. until noon ET in Frankfort.

The objectives for the meeting are:

- identify and prioritize key challenges related to the Program Reviews
- propose solutions that support best instructional/learning experiences for all students in the Program Review areas

Program Reviews originated under Senate Bill 1 (2009) and are meant to improve the quality of programs, encourage the integration of the program skills schoolwide across all content areas, ensure equal access to learning opportunities for all students, and allow students to demonstrate understanding beyond a paper-and-pencil test.

Every year, school personnel must self-evaluate at least one of the following program areas: arts and humanities, practical living/career studies, K-3, global competencies/world languages or writing. A school team examines instructional practices, aligned and enacted curriculum, student work samples, formative and summative assessments, professional development and support services, and administrative support and monitoring against standards of excellence. Through careful review, schools are able to identify strengths, weaknesses and potential areas of program growth. School leaders then use this information to plan for and implement program improvement.

Program Reviews are required as a part of the assessment and accountability system under KRS 158.6453(1)(i) and currently count for 23 percent of a school's and district's overall accountability score.

Commissioner Stephen Pruitt announced the task force last week to address challenges faced with the process of Program Reviews. Since then, several more educators have indicated a willingness to serve on the task force. The commissioner's Program Review task force includes:

- Rob Akers, principal, Woodford Co. High School, Woodford Co. school district
- Jay Brewer, superintendent, Dayton Independent school district
- Karen Byrd, Boone Co. Board of Education, who represents the Kentucky School Boards Association.
- Angela Cain, chief deputy of quality, Lincoln Co. Board of Education
- Eddie Campbell, choir director, Knox Co. Middle and High Schools, Knox. Co. school district
- Ron Chi, superintendent intern, Boone Co. school district

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- Wes Cornett, principal of Somerset High School, Somerset Independent school district, who represents the Kentucky Association of School Administrators
- Ricky Fischer, director of instruction, Allen Co. school district
- Terrilyn Fleming, theatre director at Central High School Magnet Career Center, Jefferson Co. school district, who represents the Jefferson County Teachers Association
- Rina Grantz, principal, Wilkerson Traditional Elementary School, Jefferson Co. school district
- Julie Goodlet, Title I reading teacher, Emma B. Ward Elementary, Anderson Co. school district
- Jerry Green, superintendent, Pikeville Independent school district
- Stephanie Harris, director of elementary schools, Montgomery Co. school district
- Diane Hatchett, superintendent intern, Daviess Co. school district
- Terry Hayes, superintendent, McLean Co. school district
- Mark Kopp, associate superintendent for instructional services, Hardin Co. school district
- Amanda Mattingly, principal, North Washington Elementary, Washington Co. school district
- Kricket McClure, assistant superintendent, Henry Co. school district
- Dot Perkins, chief executive officer, Central Kentucky Educational Cooperative
- Amy Razor, executive director, Northern Kentucky Cooperative for Educational Services
- Jackie Rogers, principal, Science Hill School, Science Hill Independent school district
- Adam Spinks, world language teacher, Warren Co. school district, who represents the Kentucky Education Association
- Lisa Slaven, department chair, Family and Consumer Sciences, North Hardin High School, Hardin Co. school district
- Beth Sumner, assistant superintendent of instruction, Trigg County school district
- Henry Webb, superintendent, Floyd Co. school district, who represents the Kentucky Association of School Superintendents

The agenda for the first Program Review task force meeting follows:

Kentucky Department of Education
Commissioner's Program Review Task Force
December 10, 2015
9 a.m. – Noon ET
State Board Room
1st Floor, Capital Plaza Tower
500 Mero Street
Frankfort, KY

- I. Welcome and introduction of task force members
- II. Review objectives
- **III.** Discussion in small groups
- IV. Small group sharing/Full group discussion
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- VII. Small group sharing/Full group discussion
- VIII. Summary of identified priorities of the task force
- IX. Next steps
- X. Adjournment

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